



HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LEAVING EXAMINATIONS

◁ 1897 ▷

Memorandum for Boards of Examiners.

The High School Entrance and Public School Leaving Examinations for 1897 will begin Monday, 28th June, and will be conducted under the old Regulations (Circulars 3 and 7), subject to the following provisions:—

1. Any candidate who obtains at the Entrance Examination one-third of the marks in each subject (neatness included) and one-half of the aggregate may be admitted to a High School by the Board of Examiners. The following classes of candidates may also be admitted (*a*) those who fail to reach the standard prescribed in some subject, who *have not made a bad failure* in any subject, and who have made *considerably more than* the aggregate marks required; (*b*) those who, in the opinion of the examiners, on account of age or for some special reason should be admitted. No candidate should be admitted on the ground of age alone, who shall not have reached *at least his fifteenth year* before the date of the next Entrance Examination. The reasons for admission shall be set forth in full opposite the name of each candidate admitted in the case of (*a*) and (*b*).

2.—(*a*) Any candidate who obtains at the Public School Leaving Examination one-third of the marks in each subject, and one-half of the aggregate shall be reported by the Board of Examiners as having passed the Examination for a Public School Leaving Certificate. Those who fail to reach the standard prescribed in some subject, but who have made *considerably more than the aggregate marks required* may also be awarded Public School Leaving Certificates.

(*b*) Candidates who fail at the Public School Leaving Examination but who obtain twenty-five per cent. of the maximum of the marks for each subject thereat may, on the recommendation of the Board of Examiners, be awarded a High School Entrance Certificate.

3. The decision of the Board of Examiners shall be final with regard to the admission or rejection of any candidate, but the Inspector may submit to the Board for re-consideration the complaint of any candidate or any other person with regard to the examination.

4—(a) When at any time during the interval between Entrance Examinations it is considered desirable to admit a pupil, the Principal of the High School and the Public School Inspector shall at once report in detail upon the case to the Minister of Education. *Application shall be made only in behalf of pupils who could not have presented themselves at the examination*; and as a rule, when the work of the term is considerably advanced, admission should not be granted to pupils only fit for the lowest classes.

(b) Pupils proposed for admission under this regulation are not to be enrolled by the Principal or to receive any instruction from the staff until their admission has been sanctioned by the Minister.

(c) Candidates admitted under these special provisions shall not be required to pass any subsequent entrance examination, but *their names must be inserted* by the Inspector in the official report of those of the regular candidates at the Entrance Examination.

5.—(a) The reports of the Examiners for the Entrance and Public School Leaving Examinations are to be sent *together (by mail)* to the Education Department, on or before the 20th day of July, by the Public School Inspector.

(b) The bag which contained the question papers is to be returned to the Department (charges prepaid) *at the same time* the reports are sent.

(c) The answer papers of candidates, unless when specially requested, are not to be forwarded to the Department but are to be retained by the Inspector at least until October 1st.

(d) The Inspector shall issue a certificate to each candidate that passes the High School Entrance or Public School Leaving Examination.

(e) The names of all candidates admitted by the Board of Examiners may be published immediately after (*but not before*) the reports have been transmitted to the Education Department.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,

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